

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY  
OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND  
HELD ON THE ELEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, 2010

The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Newport, Rhode Island met in regular session at the Administration Office, Newport, Rhode Island at 5:00 p.m. on March 11, 2010.

Roll call followed the Pledge of Allegiance:

PRESENT:	Chairperson	Jan Shapin
	Commissioner	Cheryl Abney
	"	Frank McCauley
	"	Frank Landry
	"	Frank Coleman
	"	Constance Vergowven

ABSENT:	Vice Chair	Rodney Bowley
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ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Joseph J. Nicholson, Jr.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Landry, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried the minutes of the regular monthly meeting held on February 11, 2010 were approved with one correction. In the fifth paragraph the funds will come from the HUD 11B instead of the HUD 811.

The Secretary has added a communication to this month's Board meeting. Bud Cicilline has requested that the Board rename the Florence Gray Center gym after Joe Houlihan, Esq., .

Upon a motion by Commissioner Landry, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and unanimously carried, to name the gym after Joe Houlihan, Esq., after the completion of the renovations to the gym and the Board will commit to working with the group that is formed to discuss fundraising strategies as well as the renovation plan.

The Chair presented a letter from Donna Ayala, HUD Boston Office stating that the Authority has obligated 100% of the stimulus money on 3/18/09 one year ahead of the due date of 3/17/10. The letter was added as an Agenda item under communications.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, the letter was added as an Agenda item under communications.

Cheryl McIntosh from Honeywell gave a brief presentation on the energy program.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Vergowven, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, and unanimously carried, to accept the report from Honeywell as presented.

The monthly bills report was presented to the Commissioners.

Upon a motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, payment of the bills was approved.

The Secretary requested approval of Resolution 1051 approving the 2010 Annual Operating budget.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Vergowven, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and unanimously carried, to accept and approve the operating budget as amended.

The Secretary requested Board approval to open its public housing waiting lists for 3 and 4 bedroom units at the family developments in Park Holm & Chapel Terrace.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Vergowven, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, that the waiting list be opened until there is a substantial number of applicants on the list at which time the waiting list will be closed.

The Secretary requested approval for the following payments:

- a). Pezzuco Construction – Park Holm Renovations #7 in the amount of \$520,744
- b). FSSG – Florence Gray Center Fire Alarm/Sprinkler Upgrade #4 in the amount of \$5,486.94
- c). FSSG – Florence Gray Center Fire Alarm/Sprinkler Upgrade #5 in the amount of \$3,760.20
- d). ANC – Capital Needs Assessment #2 in the amount of \$10,000
- e). Valley Affordable Housing Corp. Phase 5 Demolition #2 in the amount of \$87,547.27

Upon a motion by Commissioner Landry, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, payment of the above requisitions was approved.

The Secretary submitted to the Commissioners the Consent Calendar items which included the Finance Reports, C.O.P. Report, Applications, Occupancy, Section 8 Report, February Collection/Loss Reports, Social Services Report and Elderly Services Coordinator Report.

Upon a motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, the Consent Calendar items were accepted as read.

The Secretary presented to the Board an updated Capital/ARRA Projects report regarding the Phase V demolition work, Park Holm Master Plan, Sprinkler work at the Florence Gray Center, and vehicle replacement.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, that the report regarding the Capital/ARRA Projects was received.

Yvette Harris, President of the Newport Resident Council, presented her monthly report to the Board.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, that the monthly report regarding the Newport Resident Council was received.

Commissioners' Request: (s)

- None at this time.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Vergowven, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.